

CLARKSVILLE WEEKLY CHRONICLE.

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THE woman suffrage amendment to the Constitution was defeated in Rhode Island by a large majority.

A man who allows himself to be bought more than once is not considered honest in political circles.

Man want but little here below,
But in church when on his knees
He's troubled with a fresh bad cold,
He wants to cough and sneeze.

For expressive stump oratory you can always bet on the man with a jumping colter, and a yoke of oxen in a new round.

COL. DUFFY MORTON, age ten, is editor of "The Budget," Russellville, Ky. No Kentucky editor ranks below the grade of Colonel except a few of the milk-biddy dudes.

Old man Colyar of the Union is walking round on his auricular right wing and demanding the bl-o-o-d of the ruler of Gov. Taylor—"and the villain still pursued her!"

THE historic old Cathedral at St. Augustine, Fla., built in 1793, was burned on the 12th instant. It was a large and splendid edifice of the Moorish style of architecture.

THE Florida legislature organized and went to work last week, with Lieut.-Gov. Mabry as presiding officer of the Senate and Hon. Sam'l Pasco elected Speaker of the Assembly.

WE have received No. 3 of Vol 1 of a new paper, the Scott County Call. It is owned by Sherman or Blaine for President, and Bob Taylor for Vice President. "That jest do settle it."

HON. W. C. P. BRECKENRIDGE telegraphs to Hon. Hunter Wood, accepting the invitation to deliver the oration at the unveiling of the Confederate Monument in Hopkinsville on the 19th of May.

HON. F. T. FOX, Sr. eminent in law and prominent in political events of Kentucky, died last week after a long illness at his home in Danville. He was the father of Judge Fontaine Fox, Jr., of Louisville.

THE negro Ben Brown, convicted of the murder of the old negro Frank Arnold and hiding his head in an old bee-gum near Nashville more than a year ago, was hung in Nashville yesterday.

THE result of the election in Rhode Island gives John W. Davis, Democrat, for Governor, 973 majority. There is no election for Lieutenant Governor, Democrats are elected as Attorney General and Treasurer.

GOV. TAYLOR still insists on "national aid;" the Tobacco Leaf don't want it unless there is a "surplus." Will the Leaf follow the Governor over into the ranks of radicalism, or will it pause and turn before it is everlastingly too late?

THE municipal election in Cleveland, Ohio, last week was a surprise to the Republicans. The entire Democratic ticket headed by B. D. Babcock, candidate for Mayor, was elected by 3,000 majority. The board of aldermen is probably Democratic also.

THE poetry on our first page was written by a young gentleman of this city who, though making little pretensions as a literary genius, evidently possesses talent in writing verse. It is far above the character of verse usually contributed to newspapers.

DUNBAR'S Cave is now in order and parties are preparing to enjoy its shade and its cool, pure waters. Its attractions cannot be surpassed and in half an hour one can go from the busy streets of our city to the quietude of nature and the pleasure of the pathless woods.

THE purity of Governor Taylor moral paltritude is painfully pierced by persistent partisans who propose a partition of the proceeds of offices within this privilege to fill by appointments. This cruelty cuts into the case-hardened cuticle of Col. Colyar.

IN Wednesday's American, we are glad to see that Col. Tom Williams, of Knoxville, denies making the charge against Gov. Taylor. Joe Harris and Mr. Turner are not so clear in their explanation of the part they took in the matter of making overtures to the Governor concerning the appointment of coal oil inspector for Nashville.

THE proof has at last come to light that the inaugural address of Gov. Taylor was sent out to the Knoxville press in favor of educating the children of Tennessee by means of the State's own resources—and the address was changed to favor "national aid" within the twenty-four hours immediately previous to its delivery in the Capitol. The treachery is proven and Bob Taylor has gone into the radical party never to return.

PRESIDENT Cleveland has accepted an invitation to attend the Piedmont Exposition in Atlanta early in October. The first Democratic President, who has been permitted to occupy the position, for twenty-five years will receive a rousing welcome in the South.

Tobacco Leaf: President Van Buren was a Knickerbocker. We are unable to state his exact relation to the proprietor of the Chronicle.

Hon. William L. Yancey was a States Rights Democrat and a friend of the South. We are unable to state his exact relation to the editor of the CHRONICLE.

THAT was a curious election in Chicago last week. Democrats worked all day at the polls for the Republican candidate, and Frank Lawler, a Democratic Knight of Labor, right bower of Powderly and member of Congress, did yeoman service for the Republican ticket. It was not a Republican victory, but a victory of law and order over anarchy and terror.

Louisville Times: No man had his party more heartily in accord with him than Bob Taylor when he was inaugurated Governor of Tennessee, a few months ago. Now he is the most unpopular man in the State, and when his term expires he may prepare to join the great army of failures who bit off more than they could chew.

So says the Louisville Times. "Tis true, 'tis pity; and pity 'tis, 'tis true."

THE subject of fire has been freely discussed by all parties during the past week and the excitement has all passed away. Yet a similar danger constantly threatens the city from the old buildings on the corners of Third and Commerce streets. Strange that the city council does not examine those localities, and yet more strange that the insurance agents fail to see the danger.

THE shameful stories told about Gov. Taylor are humiliating to Democrats. If any such proposition as that said to have been made by James Turner to Gov. Taylor (to divide the profits of the office of coal oil inspector) had been made to Gov. Bate the kicking he would have given the offender would have seemed to John Sherman like "a Southern Outrage" of the genuine stamp.

THE discovery by the editor of the Leaf that William Penn and his friends were Puritans is decidedly the latest thing out. Next week we expect to hear him give it as a historical fact that Noah actually took on board a brigade of Puritans as cabin passengers, or, if the story was not "cheatnut," he would probably say of the Puritans what the Irishman said of the Flood: "Bedad, upon that occasion our family had a boat of their own!"

Tobacco Leaf: Do we understand aright? It is possible that the Chronicle quoted from Hawthorne—from a Puritan Yankee and a Massachusetts man at that. Can such things be and overcome us like a summer cloud without our wondering how in the devil and Tom Walker it came to be so.

You are right for once. Since the Leaf editor's thoughts flow so naturally in the Puritan channel we thought perhaps he would heed a suggestion from that source which would benefit him. Physicians have been known to use one poison to drive out another.

THE Leaf says: The Chronicle asserts that the Leaf has never uttered a word in favor of reducing tariff taxation. Such a statement is altogether erroneous. The position of the Leaf has always been that the tariff should be reduced to the lowest revenue limit and so adjusted as to exempt necessities at the expense of luxuries.

You admit then that the fund you propose to "give" to the people of Tennessee is part of the stolen property taken from them by the tariff. If the editor can't play base ball any better than he plays Blair bill then the "second nine" of any club in the State can beat him. His manner of "mumbling" about Randall and Bob Taylor and the Blair bill is suggestive of a more quiet game at which he might become an expert.

AT the municipal elections in Kansas the newly-enfranchised women voted as they talk—somewhat scatterin'. There is no good to come to this parading women on the streets on election days. The women who have proper views of her duties will leave voting to her husband and her brothers.

The designing trickers who appeal to woman's better nature to induce her to descend to the groveling level of a street brawler has no respect for the innocent dupes whose influence they use to secure office for themselves. Modesty and humility are becoming virtues, but

"A woman moved is like a fountain troubled, Muddy, ill-seeming, thick, bereft of beauty; And while it is so, none so dry or thirsty Will deign to sip or touch one drop."

ONE day while "the late lamented" legislator was in session we visited Nashville, and Senator J. W. Sparks introduced us to some of his friends, among others to John J. Littleton, Esq., editor of the National Review. In a pencil sketch of the members of the legislature we called Littleton "a poet,"

and this is the style in which he acknowledges the compliment:

Duffy, of the Clarksville CHRONICLE, is hereby again doubly warned. Should he ever dare set his pedal extremities within the classic environs of this peaceful city, he shall atone for his grievous offending. To be denounced a constitutional prevaricator, an irredeemable crank, a sheep-slayer, or a horse-thief might be tolerable, but it is not in the composition of mortal man to silently submit to the assassin's appellation. "Soft and dreamy brown-eyed poet." There are blood on the moon.

Tobacco Leaf: If there is no surplus we want no national aid, consequently the tariff, or any means of future federal taxation has nothing to do with the case.

This admission is sufficient. The editor gives it up. But if "national aid," as you term it, is the correct thing, why not create it by means of a "protective" tariff? If the principle of national aid is wrong you ought to oppose it. If it is right you ought, by all means, to advocate it. Which is it? Is it right, or is it wrong? That "No man can serve two masters" is good Scripture, and no Democrat can stand upon the platform of Democracy and advocate "national aid." The times require explicit statements. The editor of the Leaf must choose to stand by the banner of the Democracy of Tennessee, or follow after the flag of Gov. Taylor—the political Abasalom. Which do you choose? "Under which king, Besonant? Speak or die!"

JEFFERSON DAVIS is an old man and lives more in the past than in the present, but when in his speech at the unveiling of the statue of Albert Sidney Johnston at New Orleans, he advised the men of the New South to turn back to the virtues of the Old South and see in the monument before them something upon which their sons should build their character, he uttered a sentiment which the present generation would do well to heed. While the New South, as it is termed, is going forward in the path of progress and improvement, it need not forget to study and emulate the virtues of the old. Some ideas, indeed, have become obsolete, and with the abolition of slavery a readjustment. But it is not true that the New South has nothing in common with the old, and the man who aspires to excellence and usefulness to his country could not do better than to build to the character of such men as Albert Sidney Johnston.

Obion Democrat: In the biographical sketch in Goodspeed's "History of Tennessee" of one of Weakley county's most distinguished citizens he is mentioned as being a member of the Methodist church and the Oriental Order of Humility. The gentleman says the first statement is an error and a reflection on the Methodists, but we speak from personal knowledge when we say that the assertion that he is a member of that grand order of ancient and illustrious origin is eminently correct. A wholesome fear of a heavy fine by the Most Potent Grand Seignior prevents us from giving his name.

This has no reference, of course, to any newspaper man unless it be the editor of the Dresden Enterprise, and his style indicates that he has never joined "the Order of Humility" nor learned the great truth inculcated by the Order that "he that humbleth himself shall be exalted," nor asked himself the solemn question: Why should the spirit of mortal be proud? If, however, the Dresden brother, or any other newspaper man, properly vouched for, will come down to Clarksville Grand Elevator Joseph will call his conclave and bring him to light according to the rubric of the ancient and honorable order.

THE Union is agitating itself into a state of mind because (it says) that Joe Harris, one of Gov. Taylor's East Tennessee friends, told James Turner to go to Gov. Taylor and ask to be appointed Coal Oil Inspector for Nashville and to offer to divide with the Governor the proceeds of the office. Turner says that he did propose this to Gov. Taylor. The Union says that the Governor immediately walked out of the room and told Ben Hord and Frank Smith what had taken place, giving them fully the conversation, and saying that Turner's claims were no longer to be considered.

The Union furthermore reports that Col. Tom Williams "said within the last few days on the streets of Knoxville that Gov. Taylor got \$3000 for making the appointment of Coal Oil Inspector in Knoxville." The Union thunders aloud and threatens in the index as guardian of the Governor, but concludes by saying: "If Mr. Williams makes good the charge, the Governor must go." We have been thinking he was "gone" some time ago.

THE FOUR MILE LAW AND LIQUOR SELLING.

It is now the law that intoxicating liquors cannot be sold within four miles of an institution of learning, whether incorporated or not, except in incorporated towns or cities. That is, the four mile law has been so amended and changed that it does not require an institution of learning to be incorporated to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors within four miles of the institution. This law virtually prohibits the

sale of liquor at all places except in the cities and incorporated towns. As the laws now stand, if they were enforced, it would almost amount to prohibition. It is a violation of law to sell to a minor; to sell or give away on election day; to sell on Sunday; to sell to an habitual drunkard after notification, and to sell within four miles of an institution of learning. All together, of enforced, the laws would be very stringent.—Dickson Press.

The above is a plain, forcible statement of the situation in Tennessee. The four mile law has done more for temperance in this State than all the crusader and woman's rights lecturers can ever accomplish.

The laws are now enforced, because they are sustained by public sentiment, without which support no law is worth the paper on which it is written. If God can not, and will not save the people, corrupt legislatures can not and will not do it. Yet fanatics are trying to work up a campaign in which they can win some cheap glory without doing a particle of good. Such impractical crusade efforts do injury to any good cause.

A little patience and practical common sense is what the fanatics need just now, and if they persist in their extreme measures they will not only destroy the good already effected by the laws now in force but they will drive away the thinking men of the country who realize the fact that sudden and violent revolutions always result in injury to all concerned. The wild harangues of Peter the hermit and all the armies commanded by Richard, the Lion-hearted, did not rescue the sacred tomb from the infidel Saracens, but time and patience have wrought the most wonderful changes in Palestine, and the locomotive now carries its trains in the interest of peaceful commerce over the fields on which the hosts of Saladin confronted the armies of the crusaders.

WHEN TAYLOR FLOPPED.

Some Very Significant Facts Regarding the Inaugural Address.

Knoxville tribune: It is generally supposed that Gov. Taylor changed his position on the Federal aid question on the night before he sent his first message to the legislature. This is a mistake. The Tribune has evidence to prove that he flopped on the eve of his inauguration as Governor. When he wrote his inaugural address he was opposed to Federal aid, but when he delivered his inaugural he was in favor of it. "Our Bob" changed inside of twenty-four hours, or possibly he "changed in the twinkling of an eye."

On the day of Gov. Taylor's inauguration the Tribune received an advance proof of his inaugural address, the writing of which had been finished a day or two before. The fourth paragraph of the address as sent to us concludes with the following sentence: "Tennessee needs a free school system under which every child of the State can be educated out of means derived from her own revenues."

When Governor-elect Taylor wrote that paragraph he was still a Democrat, or at least up to that time his utterances had been in harmony with the Democratic platform. But when Gov. Taylor delivered his inaugural address the latter part of the above paragraph had disappeared.

On the day of the inauguration, Jan. 17th, the Tribune received the following dispatch from Nashville:

"Correction in Gov. Taylor's inaugural sent by mail, end of fourth paragraph cancel all after the words, 'every child in the State can be educated.'"

This change left the paragraph without meaning, and the emasculated sentence stood:

"Tennessee needs a free school system under which every child in the State can be educated."

The words omitted were the only ones which would have given force to the paragraph. The words the Governor struck out were:

"—out of means derived from her own revenues."

It is quite clear to us that Bob's flop dates from the day of his inauguration or the night before.

DEMOCRATIC UNITY.

West Tennessee Whig.

It is high time that Tennessee Democrats should stop knifing each other and turn their guns against the Republican party. Tennessee is soundly and thoroughly Democratic, and will remain so if we do not fritter away our majority upon non-partisan issues.

The fact that our political enemies are boastful, defiant and hopeful should be sufficient to make us call a halt, straighten up party lines and get ready for action. Let it not be said that Tennessee is a doubtful State, when the only room for doubt rests upon unnecessary dissensions in the Democratic ranks. Why fuss and fume over the Blair bill, or Federal aid to education, or the tariff, when these are national and non-political issues to be discussed by the Federal Congress already elected for the next two years? The voters of this State cannot be heard again upon the questions until the next Presidential election, when the Democratic party, in national convention, will declare upon both and heal our dissensions.

If all who claim to be Democrats had been content to abide by the principles of Democracy as announced in the National as well as in the State platform, there would have been no cause for uneasiness which is manifested by the Whig.

Let the editor ask himself what the Democratic platform says in regard to the tariff and all such schemes as the Blair bill and then he can see at once

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where the difficulty originated in Tennessee.

Robert L. Taylor was nominated as the Democratic candidate for Governor and he accepted the platform of principles adopted by the convention which nominated him. To serve his own purposes (and that of his brother) the Blair bill question was introduced into the canvass. Knowing, as he did, the Democratic declarations in regard to such schemes for plundering the treasury, R. L. Taylor denounced all such propositions.

He was elected Governor by Democratic votes, yet to gain favor with the enemies of Democracy he has betrayed those who trusted him and announces himself in favor of precisely what he knows is contrary to the letter and the spirit of Democracy as enunciated in the platforms of the party.

Gov. Taylor is the person who has gone astray, and the Democratic voters refuse to follow his treacherous example. The fears of the Whig may, or may not, be well founded, the editor must judge for himself as to that matter but his own good sense will tell him that Gov. Taylor has no authority for his recent utterances and acts, and no voter owes allegiance to any man who has deserted the principles of Democracy. Korah, Dathan and Abiram offered false incense before the Lord, and the earth opened her mouth and swallowed them up." Such will be the inevitable fate of Gov. Taylor and his little band of frightened followers.

Two of the most distinguished churchmen of the South visited Clarksville last week, Bishop Quintard, of the Episcopal church, and Rev. O. P. Fitzgerald, a leading member of the Methodist denomination, and editor of the Organ of Southern Methodism the Christian Advocate, published in Nashville.

Mr. Fitzgerald has won distinction as a speaker and as a writer. His lectures and sermons are familiar to the general reader and among his lighter works his "California Sketches" take a front rank in that style of literature.

Bishop Quintard is personally known to thousands of people in Tennessee and Virginia and in every southern State. He was prominently known in the Army of Virginia and was the personal friend of Gen. Robert E. Lee and Jefferson Davis. He was for a long time with the Army of Tennessee during the war, the friend and associate of Gen. Joseph E. Johnston, Gen. Hood, Gen. Cheatham and the great Bishop General Polk. He was also the friend and companion of the private soldier and in every association the noblest type of a southern gentleman. Both of those distinguished men are identified in all their social and political ideas with the Southern people, yet they maintain their own self-respect and command the respect of others by confining themselves to the duties of their exalted calling and leave politicians to their own chosen field.

At Rest.

Sunday evening March 20th as the shadows of night were fast gathering to close the day calmly fell asleep brother R. P. Bowling an honorary member of Hampton Lodge, No. 137 of Free and Accepted Masons. Brother Bowling was born in Louisa county, Virginia, April 20th, 1805, moved to Montgomery County Tennessee while a youth where he has since resided, honored and respected by all. Therefore; it was,

Resolved, that in the death of brother Bowling, Hampton Lodge has lost a true, tried and worthy brother who had found the lost word that would raise him from the Terrestrial to the Celestial Lodge where the beauties of Masonry will be fully revealed to him. Be it further,

Resolved, that acknowledging the wisdom of the great grand high priest of the universe who doth all things well we bow in humble submission to his will and hereby tender to his bereaved family our sincere sympathy. Be it further,

Resolved, that this tribute be spread upon the minutes of the Lodge and published in the Clarksville CHRONICLE and a copy be sent to the family of the deceased and one to the Lodge.

N. N. NORTHINGTON.

C. D. ELLIOTT, the Tennessee schoolmaster, is not abroad, but Buz says the Yankee schoolmaster is. Near Hampton, in old Virginia, there is a normal school for Injuns and niggers run by short haired women and near the gate of this shebang is a sign-board from which flashes forth this legend: GET THE TO A CLOTHERY.

Gov. TAYLOR has appointed Jas. Coleman coal oil inspector for Memphis.

Refrigerators.

I am just in receipt of a large stock of refrigerators. You can't well keep your beef-steak, and milk and butter cool and healthy without a good refrigerator.

JOHN F. COULTER.

JOHN T. RAYMOND, the comedian, died on the 10th in Evansville. He won distinction chiefly in the character of Col. Mulberry Sellers.

Rock Candy Drops.

Our maple syrup is almost out. As it will not keep through summer, we have supplied its place with rock candy drops, which we think superior. Send in for a jug. Respectfully,

KEESE & NORTHINGTON.

THE new residence of Mr. M. H. Northington on Madison street is just completed, and R. P. Tarpley & Co. have this week put on the fishing touches of paint. W. T. Page, B. T. Smith, Len Tarpley, Ben Davidson, Billy Davidson and W. G. Smith have done the work, and it goes without saying that the work is done in thoroughly workmanlike style.